(Washington, DC) Congressman Alcee L. Hastings (D-Miramar) made the following statement in recognition of the Jewish holiday Rosh Hashanah, which begins at sundown tonight:

"As Rosh Hashanah begins, I would like to extend my warmest wishes to my friends in the Jewish community as they welcome in the New Year. It is a time for reflection and hope for all the coming year has to bring. May we all take this opportunity for introspective thought and recommit ourselves to working together for the betterment of our nation and world. Though diverse in our beliefs, together we can all respect our individual commitments to faith and join in celebrating a new start towards a better future. Shana Tova."

Congressman Alcee L. Hastings is Vice Chairman of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, a senior member of the House Rules Committee, and Co-Chairman of the U.S. Helsinki Commission.

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